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Michael K. Powell, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St SW
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Subject: Concentration of Media Ownership

Dear Mr. Powell

I understand that you advocate relaxing the rules governing media ownership, which will allow even fewer players to dominate this field. Do not do this! This will have a suffocating effect on our free press. There are few enough already. You offer assurances that this will not happen, as we witness dissent disappear around us.

Having a free, and vocal press is a cornerstone of democracy. Giving more power to the media giants will concentrate control and stifle people we need to hear. You do not own the truth any more than I do, but I believe it is your duty to protect a system that gives voice to as many points of view as possible.

Stop this action to broaden ownership of media channels.

Very truly yours,



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